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State of South Dakota

NINETIETH SESSION LEGISLATIVE ASSEMBLY, 2015

661W0085 HOUSE BILL NO.
Introduced by:
FOR AN ACT ENTITLED, An Act to provide for an affidavit creating a rebuttable presumption
that a person is not an employee for purposes of workers compensation.
BE IT ENACTED BY THE LEGISLATURE OF THE STATE OF SOUTH DAKOTA:
Section 1. That chapter 62-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
follows:
Any person who is not required to be covered under a workers compensation insurance
policy may execute an affidavit of exempt status under the South Dakota Workers'
Compensation Law. The execution of an affidavit of exempt status creates a rebuttable
presumption that the executor is not an employee for the purposes of the South Dakota Workers'
Compensation Act and the person possessing the affidavit is not responsible for a workers
compensation claim made by the executor of the affidavit.
Section 2. That chapter 62-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
follows:
The affidavit must be on a form prescribed by the Director of the Division of Insurance and
must be notarized. The Director of the Division of Insurance may promulgate rules pursuant to
Chapter 1-26 to provide definitions, the form and process for filing the affidavit, and

documentation required for filing an affidavit of exemption from the South Dakota Workers'

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- 2 Compensation Law.
- 3 Section 3. That chapter 62-1 be amended by adding thereto a NEW SECTION to read as
- 4 follows:
- 5 Any person who knowingly provides false information on an affidavit of exempt status
- 6 under the South Dakota Workers' Compensation Law is guilty of a Class 2 misdemeanor.